PORTIONS OF SOME PLAYS.

AN ODD SPECTACLE IN ONE AND TRAVESTY IN ANOTHER. Hallet Women with Idle Feet That Do Not Touch the Floor Fun Poked at Shake-speare by Burlesquers - A Fourth Act

That Is a Complete Play in Itself. The transformation scene at the end of "An Arabian Girl," at the Herald Square, has been distrinced by something newer-at least in its entirety, though it is made up of things hitherto seen separately. The stage is dimly light-Suddenly two women in white drapartes float into view ten feet above the floor of the stage. They clasp each other's hands and their feet hang tilly as they are swung across and back several times at varying heights. A second, third and fourth couple appear in the same way and are operated similarly. There is more of singularity than illusion about their movements. It is plain enough that they are suspended by wires, which cannot be seen in the low light, and these are controlled from above. By coupling the women and moving them from side to side of the stage, never forward or back, they are safe from collision. At length a single figure appears at the front. This woman is big and plump. She looks like a Cupid grown up and out. A murmur of apprehension is heard as she swings higher and harder than the others. Suppose the wire should break? Next, the lights are furned out altogether and the dragling tallet is illumined by reflectors which throw cotors on the ampler draperies which it now wears. This is practically the same exhipicton that has become familiar with the "serrentine" dancers, with the variation that the figures are multiplied and suspended. They wave their wide skirts, which are turned into tiags, butterflies and composite designs. The spectacle lasts too long. But it makes a good

Romen, Juliet, Mercutio and a ladder of fame are the principal characters in a short bur-lessue of "Romeo and Juliet" at the New York. The skit is played in the barn scene of "The Man in the Moon." The first to enter is Sam hernard as a Juliet. He wears a really protty gown, copied after one of Maude Adams's handsomest. He is made up to look as pretty as possible, though he speaks with his usual German dialect. Juliet comes to the centre of the stage to explain the eituation fully charles Frohman, shelsays, has told her she can "hiny the role à la Empire," so she doesn't care what the crities or public say at all. Her city fear is that she may not be natural and girlish. Walter Jones enters as a James K. Hackett Mercutio, carrying a ladder of fame. He tells her that they are playing to "breathing room oily." Their he tries to climb the ladder. A usual Walter Jones fall is the result. He gathers himself up and says: "He pest at sears who never feit a wound." The plot is then discovered. It is Hackett-Mercutio's duty to hold the ladder of fame while Maude Adams, mounts it. She has many a funny tumble before she gets safely to the top. This ladder takes her to the balcony, which in this case is a havlott. Homeo then enters and glancing up says: "What light is that through yonder window breaks? It is the Fast and Juliet is the star." This Romeo is Marie Dressler. She surprises the audience by her appearance. This rough and ready actress has never posed as a stage beauty. In this costume, however, she looks like a comic operaqueen. Her chances to be funny are small; in fact, about the time she comes in what there is of the travesty seems to fall to pleas. The latter portion will probably be worked up after more performances.

The last act of "Collinette" is second. Charles Frohman, shelsays, has told her she The last act of "Colinette" is so complete

that its incidents nearly make a play in them-The husband is taken to the King's palace a prisoner. The young wife goes there to beg for his release. One point is promptly scored in her favor when she lifts the King's gouty foot to a stool with a tenderness that affords some little relief. He receives these advances in friendly but uncompromising fash-. He is not flerce. But there is nothing in his demeanor to assure the woman that she will succeed in winning from him the favor for which she is a petitioner. It is not until the great man begins to tell her of his sufferings at the hands of a certain Mme, de Lavallette that his real feelings become evident. That is dy's husband, too, had been a prisoner, and when the good-natured monarch had taken pity on her tears and permitted her to see the man she had repaid the kindness by getting her husband out of prison. Mme. de Lavaillette has been made the heroine of a historical drama to be given here next year, when her perfidy to a trusting sovereign will be revealed at length. In the meantime all that is told of her to Colinette by Louis XVIII. is sufficient. He explains that this other husband was in prison, which made his wife's task more difficult, while Advien, the husband now in trouble, is merely held in a room adjoining that in which the King is talking to her; how Mme. de Lavailette helped her husband to get away by changing clothes with him, and then marched out of the arison chain his uniform; how it would only be necessary for Colinette to lead her husband down a secret stalkway into the street; how her husband could then escape from France—all these objections to granting her request to see her husband a cex bialned in great detail by the King. His listener understands them just as the will speaker intendes she should. Then she is told she may visit her husband. A cry of delight tells the audience that she has found him, and the door is closed. Then the King orders that soldiers be posted in the hallway by which Advien will try to escape. Presently he appears. The short close, the great bonner, and the black veil of his wife barely conceal the soldier's figure. A moment after Colinette appears to have deceived every body. The audience suspects that that his real feelings become evident. That lady's husband, too, had been a prisoner, and iniform. The solidiers waiting below capture the fugitive. The king appears to have deceived everybody. The audience suspects that the gouty old monarch merely wanted to see how to health would look in breeches. His motive, however, was not so bad. He had leen told that he would never receive a willing siss from a pretty woman. So he began to prepare to had to be reward him in that way, when he restores Adrien to her from the grasp of the soldiers and pardons him the young woman's gratitude can find expression only in a resounding smack. Thus the best act of "Colinette" is a comedy complete, and, with Julia Mariowe to give it charm, it might be presented without the rest of the play.

This is the closing week of the season at five of the seven New York theatres occupied by Charles Frohman's companies. The plays to thus terminate with us on Saturday night are 'llomeo and Juliet." with Maude Adams, at the Empire; "Colinette," with Julia Marlowe, at the Knickerbocker; "His Excellency the Governor" at the Lyceum, "Because She Loved Him So" at the Madison Square, and "The Cuckoo" at Wallack's. "Zaza," with Mrs. Carter, will last several weeks longer at the Gar-

"His Excellency the Governor" will move from the Lyceum to the Empire next Monday evening. It was announced at the latter theatre last night that a cable despatch giving this

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order had been received from Charles Frohman at Southampton. The change of plan was
ascribed to the heiref that the piece had done
so well in Fourth avenue that its prosperity
would surely continue in Broadway.

The week's changes of bills give us "The
Victorian Cross" at the Fourteenth Street,
"You Yonson" at the Star." (settyaburg" at the
Columbus and Black Patti's Troibadours at the
Grand Opera House.

Among the plars that hold over are "Welins of Tennessee" at the American, "Shenandoah" at the Broadway. "The King of the
Opium Ring" at the Academy of Music, "A
Reiga of Error" at the Victoria, "An Arabian
ourl at the Herald Square, "Adonis" at the
lipin, "The Man in the Moon" at the New
York, "Erminie" at the Casino, "The Charlatan" at the Fifth Avenue and "The Great
Ruls," at Daly's. This is the finish week of "A
Female Drummer" at the Manhattan.

Current vaudeville performances are interesting and include a fair proportion of novelties.

At Proctor's Minnie Beligman has a one-act
play that is new here, and a large share of
Press Eldridge's monologue is fresh fun. For
the Pleasure Palace Marshail P. Wilder's inning is made up of bright mimicry and a short
farce for Elward J. Heron is played among well
tried specialties. Cissie Loftus is in her first
continuous show week at Keith's, Ching Ling
Foo continues, and among the swecialists are
several who are strangers hereabout. Pasfor's has one newcomer in Celeste. an equilibrist and wire expert. Monday brought fresheming of the wax and pictorial exhibits at the
liden Musée. Music hall performances at
Weber & Fields's engage the stock company in
unlesques of current dramas, at Koster &
Bial's employ a score of specialists, and at the
hewey busy nogro performers whose leaders
are Williams and Walker.

Actor Barry Charged with Cruelty.

Segar Barry of the "Shenandoah" Company was found guilty of unnecessary crueity to a use used in the third act of the play, in the court of Special Sessions yesterday. It was each that Barry, in a recent performance, statled the horse with his sabre to induce the animal to move out of the way. In view of extenuating circumstances sentence was suspended.

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TIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

Mrs. Kate Chase Sprague, who will finally see sold at auction the former home of her father. Chief Justice Salmon P. Chase, spen many weeks in New York endeavoring to raise funds to keep the property from the fate which has overtaken it. Her hope was to raise money among her father's former friends to hold the property until it reached the value which she thought it must attain even tually. It was at one time thought that the Ohio Society would take some action in the matter, and the late Senator Brice Interested himself in Mrs. Spraguo's behalf. In the end nothing more than a postpone ment of the sale was accomplished. Mrs. Spraguo became a familiar sight in the business part of the city during her struggles to interest her father's friends in the matter. One of her plans looked to ma arrangement by which the home could be retained for her and for the invalid daughter who lives with her during their life time and then revert to those who advanced the money to keep the house from the projected sale. Her object was to secure in this way the only home that they seemed likely to possess. Mrs. Sprague is said to be quite without means. She is still of slight and graceful figure with traces of her former beauty and an affectation of youthfulness in dress not unbecoming. tually. It was at one time thought that the

The introduction of a surpliced choir into a Presbyterian church accentuates the lack of significance which attaches now to this feature of ritual in any denomination. There was a Episcopal Church as the first evidence of a tenleacy toward ribualism, and it had this significance at one period here, if not in England. That has disappeared so completely that Methodist churches began several years ago to employ surpliced choirs, and now one of the Presbyterian congregations has followed the same plan. The explanations offered in these cases show how free the innovation is from any doctrinal significance. In order to interest the youth of the churches actively in the services, to create a uniformity in appearance and avoid contrasts in the manner of dress—these are the reasons given for the employment of he choir hove in vestments in these churches. Probably very much the same influences first led to their introduction in the services of the Episcopal churches, but their indication a score of years ago of an inclination toward rifunitism was undoubted. One Episcopal church unfown not accused of any tendencies of this kind has its women singers dressed in black surplices with neat white collars and mortar boards that make them look like demure St. Cecilias. It was as a precaution against variety in dress and headgear that this costume was adopted. That has disappeared so completely that Meth

The Hungarian bands have so much de slined in favor that a substitute had to be found"for them, as the ordinary ununiformed hand, however good it may be, does not attract sufficient attention to be made a feature of any public resort. Newport is to hear this summer the latest kind of foreign band that has been discovered. It is a band of eight Spanish musicians, described when they appeared first in London as "eight gentlemen of Barcelona." They are said to be graduates of s. Spanish conservatory of music, and every one in his specialty is said to be a soloist of excellence. The band consists of two first violins, 'cello, double 'bass, flute, clarionet, piano and second violin. The men wear uniforms, and this feature of their appearance should emphasize the difference between this season in Newport and the one that preceded. season in Newport and the one that preceded. Orchestras dressed in rough rider uniforms were the novelty of the late summer last year. This season the Spanish players will represent the last word in musical vogue. Spanish musicians have before this visited this country and proved popular. More than a decade ago some solemn-looking men described as spanish students and wearing velvet suits and cocked hate travelled over the country singing and playing. They were said to be graduates of Spanish universities and to be in this country on pleasure rather than business. But this did not interfere with the enthusiastic manner in which they accepted engagements in the variety theatres after the more fashionable places had had enough of them.

Robert Taber, who was only prevented by ill health from participating in one of the greatest successes that the London stage has known this season, will spend the summer in Vermont trying to recover the strength lost by asked by Sir Henry Irving to play in "Robesplerre" the part now acted by Kyrle Bellew. and he would have shared in the triumphs of that production had it not been for his illness. He may return to London in August and accept an offer to become leading actor of the Adelphi Theatre if he has recovered his strength by that time. This is by no means certain, as his illness has left him in poor health. Mr. Taber is the most successful of that group of amateurs who began their histrionic efforts in the basement of a downtown church some fifteen years and unless Mrs. Potter be excepted. She was also a member of this amateur organization. Both of them found their greatest successes in London, which might suggest to other amateurs the advisability of seeking there the rewards of professional life. Some who adopted this policy were Martha Leonard and Janet Sheldon, who were known here only in amateur performances, but have succeeded professionally there. that production had it not been for his illness. sionally there.

Mile. Louise Nikita, the American singer who is now here, is much better known in parts of Europe than in her own country. was last in this country during the World's Fair and since that time has lived in Europe She was from the point of view of the press agent the typical American prima donna in Europe. Her real name before her marriage was Louisa Nicholson. She was said to have received the name Nikita from an Indian chie who abducted her in childhood and reared her charmed always by the beauty of her voice that he was never willing to return her to her family. On his deathbed he made his son promise to restore her to her parents, and in that way she was saved not only to her family, but to the world of art as well. Such yarns still flont occasionally through the European press in reference to singers who have found their greatest triumphs here or in South America. Mile, Nikuta is said to be a Kentuckian by birth. Maurice Strakosch was one of the first to observe her talents, and on his alvice she went to Europe to continue her studies. Through the kindness of a wealthy New York woman she was enabled to prepare herself for the operatic stage. During recent seesons she has sung rarely and since the days of her notoriety has never been heard here. Mile, Nikita is known as Mrs. Murray in private life and lives now in Berlin. She will make no professional appearances here, but will return in a short time to Europe. charmed always by the beauty of her voice that

There is no more delightful recreation of-

fered to the tired professional or mercantile man of this town than that found in the various fishing clubs that own or control trout pends on Long Island. A journey of from two to three hours by rail at the close of his day's labors will carry him into rural seclusion as omplete as that of the woods of the Adirondacks. Moreover, he fluds at his club a combination of sport and personal comfort that bination of sport and rersonal confort that has attained the highest degree. Each member has his own room, to which no one has access but himself. In equipment he may make it a duplicate of his apartment at his town house. He goes, therefore, to his fishing club unincumbered with luggage and is prepared for any contingency from that of an angling outfit to evening clothes for a late dinner. As a rule, for one month after the commencement of the trout season in the spring the fishing is confined exclusively to members. No friends are allowed to share it with them during that period. A month before the opening of the season the ponds are stocked from the pools of the club hatchery with so many hundreds or thousands of fish, varying in weight from a half to two and a half pounds, according to the extent of the waters. Each member in a single day's fishing is permitted to take from ten to eighteen trout. During the month that isnighing is restricted to members of the club, if the weather be fit, a member rarely falls to take the full number of his daily allowance. He enjoys seclusion without isolation, for it is sedom that he is the sole visitor. He has life in the onen air, free and untrammelled, enlivened with delightful sbort, and the appetite that comes with it is entisfied with food and drink that attain to all that the most exacting gourmandizer can demand. There is a shadow, however, that is hovering always over this perfect enjoyment. A member of one of these clubs makes his inevitable last cast, his share of stock is sold, the burchaser takes his place, and he passes into oblivion more remote than tradition. has attained the highest degree. Each mem-

Theatrical Manager in Hard Luck. 1ra J. La Motte, who resides at 257 West Thirty-fourth street and has his office in the Manhattan Theatre building, Thirty-third Manhattan Theatre building, Thirty-third street and Broadway, has filed a petition in hankruptcy. His habilities are \$10,168, for printing, salaries and hotel bills. He has no pair of except clothing valued at \$81 and one pair of evegineses. He was formerly manager of the Schiller Theatre in Chicago and also of the Metropolitan Theatre in this city.

SHADOW BOTHERS A SWEDE HAS A BICYCLE AND MESSENGERS TO

HELP AND A LAWYER BEHIND. Doesn't Know Why He's Followed, the Victim Says Appeals to the Police and the Shadow Is Fined Doesn't Tell Anything, However, and Keeps Up the Pursuit

Count Malti Liewen Stiungranah, a Swede. the occupies a furnished room at 137 East Twenty-eighth street, told a tale of a mysterious persecution by a shadow and attenuant messenger boys in the Yorkville Police Court resterday morning, where he had the shadow arraigned for annoying him by following him every time he left the house. The Swede is a good-looking fellow with a blend mustache and is about 30 years old. He has been in this country for two years and speaks English fluently with only a slight accent. He sent a friend to the East Thirty-fifth street station on Monday night to ask for the arrest of his persecutor. Policeman Richard Golding was instructed to be in front of the house yesterday morning at the Count's usual time for leav-

The Swede came out on the sidewalk punctually at 8 o'clock and at once went up to the policeman and asked him to arrest a man wno was standing at the corner of Lexington avenue and Twenty-eighth street leaning on a biercle. Golding told the complainant to walk up the avenue, and going to the man

asked what he was following the Swede for.
"None of your business," was the answer. and the man jumped on his wheel and followed the Count up the avenue. Golding arrested him and took him to the Yorkville Police Court. He said he was Arthur E. George, an Englishman, 23 years old, and had been in this country for a year. He demanded that he be allowed to telephone to a lawyer at 52 road way saving that the lawver was his principal and he was only engaged in carrying out

"I didn't do anything to the Count except to be in the same street that he was in," he said to one of the court clerks. To the Magistrate he said that he had been instructed to watch a certain house and note what people left there, to follow them and to note the piaces

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Stiungranah then told his tale. "I first noticed this man on Saturday." he said, "and again saw him on Sunday when I went to visit my brother and some friends at II Fast Thirtieth street. We saw him standing in front of the house and when we went out he got on his bicycle and followed. I was not sure that I was the person he was after, so I planned on Monday to find out. I left the house and went over to Fourth avenue. I saw a man and two messenger boys in uniform following me. I stopped and waited for a trolley car. So did the man and the messenger boys. A car came along, but I left the ass, and so did the man and the messenger boys when the next car came along I stopped it and got on board. It started untown, and as neither the man nor either of the messenger boys was on board I thought I had made a mistake.

"At Forty-fifth street a woman fell off the car and it stopped. I got down to see what was the matter, and the first person I saw when I touched the ground was this man. The two messenger boys were with him. All had followed the car on their, bleyeles. The man looked at me, wrote something on a piece of paper and gave it to one of the inessengers, who set off on his wheel."

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The Swede answered that it did and much more, too, "I went over to Fifth avenue," he continued, "and the man and the other messenger boy came along, too. I got in a stage and rode to Fifty-ninth street, and I no sooner got on the sidewalk again than I saw my shadow and his remaining attendant. I went into the Hotel Savoy and remained there half an hour. When I came out I found the fellow at the main door. He gave a whistle and called the messenger boy from a side door on Fifty-ninth street. I look a trolley car to Third avenue, and as I got out of the car there was the man and the messenger boy.

"I said to myself. I'll fix them this time where they won't follow me, and I ran up the elevated railroad station. A trail just then came along and I got on board. As I sat down at one end of the car I saw the man coming into, the car at the other end. He must have left his wheel with the boy. I got out at Twenty-eighth street and so did he. I went to my room and looking through the window I saw him standing in front of the house. Then I had a friend go to the station house."

"What do you suppose is the reason for all this?" asked the Magistrate.

"The Swede said he could not understand why he should be degged.

"This is the clumsiest specimen of detective work I ever met with," remarked the Magistrate. He med George \$5 for disorderly conduct.

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stand whether the complainant was satisfied

with it or not.

The prisoner paid his fine. Outside the court he was met by another man and two messengers without bleveles. When Stiungranah appeared he turned down Lexington avenue. The four men followed him and avenue, to be started after them. The procession went down the avenue for three blocks when the Swede caught a passing cable car and escaped. He declined to talk bout the case to reporters.

WPLI-DRESSED BROADWAY BEGGAR. Hires a Lawyer to Defend Him When One of His Dupes Turns on Him.

A charge of begging in the streets was pre

ferred in the Jefferson Market Police Court resterday against a prisoner who, so far as his outward appearance went, seemed to be in no need of charity. The man was dressed in a suit of blue cheviot, a pink shire, a fashionable tie of loud color, a new black derby hat and patent leather shoes. He described himself as Louis Randel, 34 years old, of 270 East Houston street, and produced a peddler's badge and license to prove that he was earning an honest livelihood as a dealer in second-hand clothing. In spite of his dress, his license and his counsel's efforts Magistrate Simms held that the evidence against him clearly proved william Baer, a coal dealer of 53 West Thirty
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him guilty.

William Baer, a coal dealer of 53 West Thirty-third street, was the complainant against the man. Baer said that he had been accessed repeatedly by Randel in and near Greetey Square. The man always carried a small bundle under his arm. Once after he had given the man some money, Randel applied to him again in the same afternoon, and when he told the man that he would cause his arrest Randel answered with a torrent of abuse. On Monday evening he was once more bothered by the man and had him arrested.

"You are crazy," the man said when handed over to a bolierman. "I have more dollars to my name than you have quarters to yours. I'll make you say damages for this."

Policeman Clemens of the Tenderloin station testified that he had often noticed Randel on his post. He always carried a small bag wrapped up in paper, and when he saw that he was observed he would take out the bag and pretend to be asking for cast-off clothing.

Magistrate Simms said that the fact that Randel owned property or did business served to gecentuate his offence. He committed him to the workhouse for one month, refusing to listen to his counsel's plea for delay.

GRIEFANCE COMMITTEE ABOLISHED.

It Worked All Right Under Waring, but Doesn't Work Under Tammany. Capt. Gibson, Deputy Street Cleaning Commissioner, has suspended the committee of forty-one in the department. The committee was made up of thirty-two sweepers and nine drivers. It was organized by Col. Waring when he was Street Cleaning Commissioner to arbitrate differences between the officials of the department and the uniformed force, Capt, Gibson says he suspended the committee because it refused to retain one of its members. The section which this member represented withdrew him because he was the sented withdrew him because he was the means of having several of the men in the sec-tion fined and suspended.

The suspension of the committee means its practical aboution. The members used to meet practical abolition. The members used to meet once a week and consider all complaints from the uniformed force. If the complaints from the uniformed force. If the complaints were found worthy of attention they were passed upon and sent to the Conference Board, which consisted of five heads of bureaus and five men from the uniformed force. This board was the court of last resort. Under Col. Waring this method of arbitrating grievances worked smoothly and found great favor with the men of the department.

Mile. Louisa Nikita, the American opera inger, who has not been here since 1803, is now in New York. She came here to visit her tepfather, M. Le Boy, who died last week at his home in Flushing. Mile Nikita, who is in private life Mrs. J. O'Hara Murray, was called by cable to her stepfather's tedside, and arrived here a few hours before his death. Mile. Nikita will return to Berlin within a few days. She is now living there. M. Le Roy was her teacher, and most of her European tours were made under his direction.

LELF-ACTING GERRY INQUIRY. Society Has Albert Stickney Appointed to

Investigate Its Affairs. On application of Frederick D. Tappen, a director in the Gerry society, based on action of the board of directors. Justice Beach of the Suprene Court yesterday appointed Albert Stickmy to inquire into the conduct of the society, which he alleges has been smirched in newspaper reports for the past year, and particularly since the beginning of the present year. Ay an act of the Legislature passed on April 14 last the society was made subject to visitation and power was given to the Supreme Court toorder an inquiry into its affairs. As any taxinyer could have had such an application granted, the society asks for its own in vestigation. Just how Mr. Stickney came to be namel does not appear. He is a lawyer, identified of late with financial interests largely, and it was understood that he had no desire for court appointments.

The pullication of hostile articles, says Mr. Tappen, led the directors to pass a resolution to inquire into their own affairs, and they appointed a summittee for that purpose on March 28 last. Some of the members of the committee would not ave nower to subperna witnesses, it was finally decided to have the inquiry instituted through the courts. To show the character of the newspaper reports about the society two stricles were submitted to the court. One begins in this way:

"That the society has done a great deal of good is no reason why it should be above the law." The latest scrape into which it has got itself has arisen from the arrogance of its agents to the Magistrates whose assistance it invokes. "" In order to get cruely to animals or credity to children prevented or vice suppressed, nature "overloads the tendency. She raises to some person who immensely exappersize the importance of what he desires to Tappen, led the directors to pass a resolution

imais or credity to children prevented of vice suppressed, nature 'overloads the tendency. She raises to some person who immensely exacgerates the importance of what he desires to do in the general scheme of things. Granting his entire fonesty of purpose, such a man is absolutely eitrain, sconer or later, if uncontrolled, to make an ass of himself.'

The order does not specifically provide that the Commissioner shall ascertain if Mr. Gerry has got to that point. The Commissioner has general powers to examine the officers and compel the attendance of any witnesses and the producting of books to ascertain if children are improperly trented, if the methods of caring for children are wrongful, and if there are any irregularities in the management of the funds of the society. All persons who have any complaint against he society have the permission of the court to attend as witnesses before Mr. Stikkney.

CHASED BY A MOR OF CREDITORS.

Woodruff Held Responsible for the Sins of a Loan Company, Though He Says He Isn't. Harry C. Woedruff of 78 Manhattan avenue was arrested at the bridge entrance yesterday morning at 11:25 o'clock by Detective Smith of the bridge squad, while trying to escape from the creditors of the Financial Agency Compaty, who carry on a loan' business at 145 Nassau street. Woodruff arrived at the office in Nassau street, where he says he memis has desk room, soon after 10 o'clock sesterday and found about twenty men waiting to see an officer of the loan agency. They said that they had come by appointment Woodruff assured them that he had no connection with the concern, but word was passed

nection with the concern, but word was passed around that he was the manager and the creditors refused to seave or let Woodruff go without giving them satisfaction.

Woodruff excased himself, disappeared into an inner office, placed some papers in a money but and made a break for the elevator. He reached the street with the whole twenty creditors dose at his beels. They stuck to him as heral up Nassau street, and at the bridge entrance surrounded him and refused to let him set on board the Brooklyu cars. A crowd quielly gainered and the disturbance afracted the attention of Detective Smith, who arrested Woodruff on the complaint of Aaron Kohl of Phillipsburg, Pa, who alleged that he had been cefrauded of \$60 by the Financial Agersy Company, which had promised to lend him \$400. Luch of the twenty creditors had a similar story of wrongs suffered at the hands of the company. Woodruff was taken immediately before Magistrate Cornell at the Centre Sireet holice Court. He denied that he had ever beenconnected with the company, but was held it \$1,000 bail for examination.

Assistant District Attorney Cowing, who entered the courtoom while the prisoner was there, told Magistrate Cornell hat the Financial Agency Company was the successor of the American Investors Company at 38 Park row. Several of the officers of this company have previously been arrested on the charge of carrying on a Faudaient loan business.

FIRE AND MEYSCRAPERS.

Acting Chief Croter Not in Favor of Restricting the Meight of Buildings.

Acting Chief Croker of the Fire Department submitted a report to Commissioner Scannell resterday giving his opinion in regard to fighting fires in tall buildings. It was as follows: "In reply to the communication of the New York Board of Trade and Transportation relative to the height of huldings to be hereafter constructed in this city, which was referred to honor to state that upon reflection I have concluded that the recommendations set forth by the Board of Trade and Transportation are too sweeping and severs. To limit the height f buildings to 200 feet would be imposing restrictions upon owners of property which might complicate very sejously values of real

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"To cope successfully with fires in buildings over the height mentioned in the communication depends entirely up the the hearacter of the fire appliances with which the buildings are fivel up with standpines from four tosix inches in diameter, with Fire Department standard courlings attacked thereb, water can be forced to the lop of building 300 feet high and effective work lone, as has been demonstrated by recent experiments. In view of this consideration it is my ordinon hat action in this matter should be delerred until the preparation of an ordinance embodying an amendment such as is contained if this suggestion. There are also other restrictions that should be required as to the management of buildings of the character in question; their owners should be compelled to keep in service one or more elevators at all hours of the day and night, so that in case of emergency means would be at hand to convey the men of the department to any floor where their serviges might be required, and, in addition, such other recommendations as may in the hidgment of the Fire Commissioner add to the efficiency of those employed in extinguishing fires in such buildings." PRETENDED WIFE-BUTCHIR SET FREE,

Missing Woman Turns Up and Takes Him

Martin Victor of 642 East Ninh street, who was held in the Yorkville Police Court on Monday to allow the police to investgate his tale that he had cut up and buried he wife Sadie. was discharged yesterday. Denetive Sergeant Barrett of Police Headquaters found the missing woman on Monday night alive and well in a restaurant at 197 Park low, where she was employed. She explained that she had left home because her young husband was not able to support her.

The woman appeared in court yesterday when her husband was arraigned and said she was willing to live with the youngman if he showed evidence of being able to mantain her. Magistrate wentworth asked Victor what he intended to do.

"I istend to go to Boston, as I have better chance of getting along there than have in New York," said Victor.

"I would advise you to go to the vild and woolly west," said the Magistrate, "There are better opportunities there for a young man who is liable to such eccentricities as you have shown. she was employed. She explained that she

shown.

He discharged the man on the compaint of killing his wife and fined him \$1 for carrying a

Decoration Day in Brooklyn.

Gen. James McLeer of Brooklyn has issued a general order for the participation of the entire Second Brigade, N. G. S. N. Y., in the . worktion Day parade in that borough with theextion Day parade in that borough with the ex-ception of the Seventeenth Separate Cavilry, which will parade with the Grand Army pasts at Flushing. L. I. The line of march wit be from the fountain in Bedford avenue, along Bedford avenue to St. Mark's, to Grand averte, to Washington avenue, to Eastern Parkway to Prospect Park Plaza and the Soldiers and Sal-ors' Memorial Arch. Gov. Roosevelt will be he reviewing officer.

\$500,000 Now Available for the Library Mayor Van Wyck has signed the resolution Municipal Assembly approving the issue of \$500,000 worth of bonds for tearing

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BURIAL OF MR. FLOWER. HONORS PAID TO HIM BY THE CITIZENS OF WATERTOWN.

the Body Buried in Brookside Cemetery After 10,000 Persons Had Viewed It It Lay in State Stores and Mills Closed WATERTOWN, N. Y., May 16.-The final serices over the body of Roswell P. Flower were neld here to-day, and at their conclusion it was buried in the Flower-Woodruff lot in Brookside Cemetery. Every store and mill in this city

was closed out of respect to Mr. Flower'

The special funeral train arrived here at 7:30

. M. and was met by Watertown Comman dery, No. 11, Knights Templar, of which Mr Flower was a member for many years, and delegations from the Jeffersonian Club, the Exempt Firemen's Association, and the Black River Valley Manufacturers' Organization. The casket containing Mr. Flower's body was renoved from the funeral car and placed in the hearse. Then Mrs. Flower left the train, leanng on the arm of her nephew, F. S. Flower, who assisted her to the carriage, and was followed by the other members of the party. The funeral procession was headed by Watertown Com nandery and moved slowly through the streets. The hearse was escorted by six Knights Templar and was followed by car riages containing the pallbearers: A. H. Sawyer. leorge W. Knowlton, W. D. McKinstry, Levi H. Brown, Judge Wilbur F. Porter, Col. J. A. Lawyer, Justice P. C. Williams and Solon Wilder. The body was taken to Trinity Church while the carriages containing the members of the funeral party went to the residence of John B. Taylor. In Trinity Church, the building of which

ms made possible by his beauty, the body of Mr. Flower lay in state for more than two hours. The doors of the church were thrown open at \$4.30, and until nearly \$11 o'clock the people of this city passed by the casket in double file. The employees of the New York Air Brake Company, \$600 in number, passed by together. The police officers in attendance estimated that \$10,000 persons viewed the body. The funeral services were held in the afternoon at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Byron Taylor, and not only was the house filled to overflowing, but the sidewalks and streets for several blocks were also crowded with people. The members of the Jeffersonian Club and the Lincoln League, the Democratic and the Republican organization respectively, met and marched to the house together, a Democrat and a Republican side by side. They were followed by the exempt and active branches of the Watertown Fire Department. Watertown Commandery, No. 11, Knights Templars, and Joe Hooker Fost, U. R. K. F. The members of the Black River Valley Manufacturers' Association met at the Union Club, and with other members of that club marched in a body to the house. The casket was placed in the large hall and was completely covered and surrounded by flowers, while floral pieces formed a great bank behind it. The Rev. J. Sanders Reed, D. D., rector of Trinity Church, and the Rev. F. P. Winnie, the curate, read the Episcopal service for the dead.

At the conclusion of the services, the members of the Various organizations passed through the house, the body was placed in the house to the body was placed in the large hall and was completely covered and surrounded by flower's face. After the organizations had left the house, the body was placed in the house the bell of Trinity Church began to toll, and struck sixty-four strokes, one for each year of the Various organizations passed through the flower's face. After the organizations had left the house, the body was placed in the house was placed in the house to the Body was placed in the house was made possible by his beauty, the body of Mr. Flower lay in state for more than two

ney-General.

Announcement was made in Wall street yesterday of the election of Anson R. Flower as a director of the People's Gas Company of Chicago, to succeed the Inte Roswell P. Flower, It is generally believed in Wall street that A. R. Flower will also succeed his prother in Brooklyn Rapid Transit. Federal Steel, Rock Island and other companies.

EX-MAYOR GLEASON IN "JAIL."

He May Wander Over Queens County, but Can't Go Outside for Six Mouths. Former Mayor Gleason of Long Island City spent a few pleasant minutes in a cell yesterday. He was arrested in the morning on a body execution, and had to go to the Queens County Court House, where he found Sheriff Baker waiting to put him in jail. Mr. Glesson cas at breakfast when Deputy Sheriff Joseph De Bragga called at his combination house and office, at 112 Front street, Long Island City. De Bragga said that Mr. Gleason could go to the Court House at his convenience, as the Sheriff did not want to put him out any.

Before Mr. Gleason arrived at the Court House James Kennedy who owns the old City Hall in Long Island City, together with Edward M. Tyrrel, appeared at the jail to give bonds for the former Mayor. When he drove up to the Court House, the ex-Mayor handed the reins to his companion in the wagon, and taking out his watch, took his pulse. Some one on the Court House stoop called out: " and Mr. Gleason answered back:

Court House stoop called out: "How is it? and Mr. Gleason answered back: "Thirty-two and getting stronger."

Entering the Court House Mr. Gleason walked to the Sheriff's office and entered room to which is used by Sheriff liaker as a private office, but was intended as a judgment debtor's cell. It is fitted up inxuriously, and Mr. Gleason was very comfortable while in custody there. Clinton R. Smith of Flushing, counsel for the Sheriff, drew up the bonds, and, after they were executed, told Mr. Gleason that he was free to enjoy himself within the boundary lines of Queens county, but that if he put foot over the line he would forfeit the bail bond and be locked up besides. Each bondsman qualified in \$5,000.

The body execution on which Mr. Gleason was arrested was issued on behalf of former Police Captain Anthony S. Woods of Long Island City, who holds a judgment against Mr. Gleason for \$2,000 damages for slander. Mr. Gleason for \$2,000 damages for slander. Mr. Gleason can be kept technically in juil for six months. Only a few days ago Gov. Roosevelt signed a bill extending the jail limits of Queens county to the same area as the county.

Mr. Gleason said last right that he would not pay the judgment, but would serve the six months in jail.

"I'm in the biggest jail in this country," said he, "and I feel that I will be able to enjoy myself during those six months. I said good-by to Manhattan this morning after I was released on bonds. It does seem a long time to keep away from that part of the city, but I guess I can stand it. I don't know a way I could make \$2,000 easier than being in such a pleasant jail. My friend the Sheriff is much pleased over the arrangement. I sinpose under the law he can charge the county \$3 a week for my board, while I will eat all my meals at home. It's a good thing for both of us.

VETOES A TRICK BILL.

Gov. Stone Disapproves a Measure Doctored After It Was Passed. HARRISBURG, Pa., May 16.-The scheme of

those who fraudulently changed the McClain neorporation act so as to permit of the incorporation of companies to distill intoxicating iquors has been nipped in the bud. To-night the Governor's veto was filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth. He says: The bill itself is wholly unobjectionable, and

its passage was desired for the reason that it would undoubtedly increase the revenue of the State to some extent. It authorizes the char tering of corporations for any legitimate purpose and removes the obstacles to the organization of business associations. I would gladly approve this bill were it not for the circumstances attending its passage. As the bill passed the Legislature it excluded the formation of corporations for the distiling or manufacture of intoxicating liquors. After the bill had passed the Legislature some one changed the word 'excluding to the word 'including,' and it came to me in that form. To approve this bill would simply be to approve a bill which never passed the Legislature, and my attention having been called to it, and such investigation as I have been able to make leading me to believe that the charge is true, I withheld my approval." tering of corporations for any legitimate pur-

Cop's Kneecap Cracks in a Practice Dash While doing a 100-yard dash on the track of the West Side Athletic Club, at 339 West Fifty. fourth street, yesterday afternoon, Policeman Orin H. Sims of the West Thirty-Seventh street station was brought to a standstill by the cracking of his right kneedap. He was taken to Roosevelt Hospital. Sims weighs about 200 pounds. He is President of the association of west side police athletes who use the club

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HE GOT THE COOK'S SAFINGS. Dr. Houghton's Servant Duped by a Tale of

Ada Grey, a negro cook employed by the Rev Dr. Houghton of the Little Church Around the Corner, appeared in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday as complainant against Paton Percy, a negro, of 213 West Thirty-

fourth street, whom she accused of having swindled her out of \$1.700. Percy, she said, had persuaded her that the best way for her to invest her money to secure a competence for her old age was to start a boarding house for railroad men at Foughkeepsie, N. Y. He said he knew of a house with land that was just the thing, and offered to buy it for her. In that way he got her to turn over to him by degrees

ill her savings.

Percy, when arrested by Central office detec-ives O'Rorke and Frazee yesterday, admitted hat he had obtained not less than \$500 from he woman. Magistrate Simms held him in \$1,000 bail for examination to-day.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

MINIATURE ALMANAC-THIS DAY. Sun rises 4 42 | Sun sets .. 7 11 | Moon sets 12 24 Sandy Hook. 105-Gov. Isl'd. 137 | Hell Gate. 230

Arrived -Tuespar, May 16. Se Westernland, Mills, Antwerp. May 6. Ss Cevic, Nicol, Liverpool. Ss Chateau Yquem, Verries, Marseilles, Se Belvernen, Hausen, Port Antonio. Ss Tarana, Enright, Shields. Ss Adirondack, Owen, Kingston. iss Parana. Enricht. Shields.
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Ss Comal. Evans, Brunswick.
Ss Oneids, Staples, Wilmington.
Sa Philadelphia, Chambers, Ponce.
Sa Algiere, Maxson, New Orleans.
Ss Old Dominion, Tapley, Norfolk.
U. S. transport McPherson, Byrne, San Juan,
Bark Persia, Malcolis, Antigua.
Bark Hansen, Macoris.

For later arrivals see First Page.

ARRIVED OUT. Sa Rotterdam, from New York, at Rotterdam. Sa Kma, from New York, at Gibraltar. Sa State of Nebraska, from New York, at Glasgow. Sa Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York, at Sa Noordiand, from New York, at Antwerp Sa Advance, from New York, at Colon.

PASSED.

Sa Palatia, from New York for Hamburg, passed the Lizard. SPOKEN.

Se Beverly, from New York for Port Antonio, May 13, lat. 23,40, long. 74.30. PAILED FROM POREIGS PORTS.

Sa Waldersee, from Boulogne for New York, Sa Allianca, from Colon for New York.

SAILED FROM DOMESTIC PORTS.

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| OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS. | |
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| Finance, Colon | 2 00 P M 3 00 P M 8 00 P M |
| INCOMING STEAMSHIPS. Due To-Day. | |

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TWO WOMEN HERT IN A RUNAWAY.

Cab in Which One Was Riding Was Over-

turned Throwing the Other from Her Wheel.

A horse attached to a newspaper delivery wagon ran away last night while the driver street and Third avenue The horse ran west without doing any damage until liturned into which was Miss Frances Bell of 158 West Fifty-fourth street.
Both vehicles were overturned and one of them struck Mrs. E. C. Carter of 1831 Ninth avenue, who was passing on a bloyele. The wagon horse freed himself from the wreck and started downtown along the west sidewalk, but was stopped by a policeman. Both drivers escaped injury.

The two women were hadly shakes and started downtown along the west sidewalk. Fifth avenue, where it collided with a cab in

escaped injury.

The two women were badly shaken up and both fainted. They were taken to the Presbyterian Hospital.

DIED.

AMBROSE.-Entered into rest, May 15, 1899, John Wolfe Ambrose, ht his residence, 575 Lexing-

Funeral services on Thursday, May 18, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Madison av. and 60th at., at 1:30 o'clock. LAWRENCE .- At Newtown, N. Y., on May 15,

1809, Peter G. Lawrence, son of Joseph A and Eliza D. Lawrence, in the 45th year of his age. Funeral services on Thursday at 2 P. M. at the residence of his mother. Relatives and friends SOUTHARD .- At Peckskill on the Hudson, Mon-

day, May 15, 1809, of Bright's disease. William D., son of the late Thomas and Amelia Jones Southard, in the 59th year of his age. Funeral services at his late residence, Wednesday, May 17, at 4 P. M. Carriages will meet train leaving Grand Central Station at 2:05.

SPOONER .- Suddenly, at Jersey City, May 18, Edward A. Spooner, aged 65.

Funeral services at 380 Fairmount av., on Wednes-day, 8 P. M. Interment private. STANTON. - In Brooklyn, on Sunday evening, May 14, Elisabeth Hull, daughter of John 8, and Julia. Hubbell Stanton, aged 9 months and 20 days. Funeral services at 54 South Portland av. on

Veduesday afternoon, the 17th inst., at So'clock. VIELE .- At her residence, Riverside av. and 88th st., on Monday, May 15, of heart failure, Juliette Dana, wife of Gen. Egber: L. Vicle and daughter of the late Richard P. Dana.

Funeral services at St. Agnes's Chapal, 92d st. and Columbus av., on Thursday, May 18, at 4 P. M. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Bos-

ton papers please copy.
WADDINGHAM.—Suddenly, on Tuesday, May 16, 1899, Wilson Waddingham, aged 66 years. Belatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend funeral services at his late residence, 254 West 105th st., on Thursday, May 18, at 8 P. M. Interment at Woodlawn Friday morning. New Haven, Philadelphia and New Mexico papers

please copy. WARD.—On Sunday, April 80, at San Juan, Porto Rico, Constance Marguerite, beloved daughter of Lieutenant-Commander Aaron Ward, U. S. Navy, and Annie Cairne Willis.

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